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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Please consider the attached information disclosure statement and the attached preliminary amendment before continuing the examination.

The RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 502226, in an accompanying transmittal letter.

Please contact the undersigned attorney at 408-382-0480 with any questions concerning this request.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a clean version of the entire set of pending claims after amendment. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(ii), Attachment A provides marked up versions of the claims containing the newly introduced changes.

1. (Twice Amended) A light emitting device having a stack of layers including semiconductor layers comprising an active region, said device comprising:

a transparent optical element bonded to said stack by a bond at an interface disposed between said optical element and said stack, wherein said bond is substantially free of organic-based adhesives.

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